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BEYOND **——** EXPECTATIONS

In this edition of *City News*, we're adding a new feature entitled *Beyond Expectations*. This feature will showcase all the good works happening in the city of St. Charles. You know, the cool things you'd never know or read about unless we told you! But more importantly? This segment will make you even more proud to be a part of all that is St. Charles... read on for a heart-warming story about Robin Bruehl and William Francais, who were married last month by Municipal Judge Dan Barklage.

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(above) - Municipal Judge Dan Barklage handles the impromptu wedding ceremony for then Robin Bruehl and William Francais. Mr. and Mrs. Francais were married on Friday, May 7 at the gazebo in Kister Park located in the 400 block of South Main Street.

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Going GREEN

St. Charles Implements Green Point Rating System for Area Developers

The city of St. Charles is all about the environment. We offer our residents curbside recycling, and just last year implemented recycling bins in Frontier Park and throughout the city's historic districts (Main Street and Frenchtown). But now the city is taking the concept of being environmentally-friendly to the business sector with the introduction of the *Green Point Rating System*.

According to Bruce Evans, director of Community Development, the purpose of the system is to provide development incentives for building innovation and sustainable practices. "Every developer in the city of St. Charles who utilizes this new rating system, accumulates Green Points," he said. "The number of points accumulated for a particular development project determines the specific project Tier."

In St. Charles, the tier structure related to building incentives is identified as follows:

Tier 1 -- 50 to 74 points

Tier 2 -- 75 to 100 points

Tier 3 -- more than 100 points

There are numerous ways for developers to earn **Green Points** in St. Charles. The current categories, include:

- 1. Site Development
- 2. Waste Management
- 3. Energy Efficiency
- 4. Water Efficiency
- 5. Material Efficient Framing and Structure
- 6. Sustainable Products
- 7. Indoor Air Quality
- 8. Building Owner Information
- 9. Design Process and Innovation

"There are a varied number of options for garnering points as a part of this system," Bruce said. "In the area of waste management, for example, developers can

benefit by reusing existing buildings, providing waste recycling for new construction, installing a built-in recycling center, and using recycled materials."

"The greener the development, the more points earned, which underscores the significant importance and value we place on economic development in our city."



Bruce Evans
Director of Community Development

As an example, Bruce cited potential reductions in Building Permit Fees, as follows:

- Tier 1 Bonus
 - -- Project fee reduction of 15%
- Tier 2 Bonus
 - -- Project fee reduction of 50%
- Tier 3 Bonus
 - -- Project fee reduction of 85%

Each credit category has specific requirements and related verification procedures, in order to accumulate the total possible points available. "The city benefits by encouraging developers to build green," Bruce added. "Developers benefit in related fee and timeframe reductions, as well as a larger buildable area. The greener the development, the more points earned, which underscores the significant importance and value we place on economic development in our city."

For more information or to review the *Green Point Rating System Guide* in detail, refer to the on-line reference under Community Development at *www.stcharlescitymo.gov*, or contact:

David Gipson, *Planning Manager* 636-949-3222 or david.gipson@stcharlescitymo.gov.

St. Charles - St. Peters Double Play Promotion

Thanks to a special partnership between St. Peters and St. Charles, the two cities will begin sharing some resident recreation privileges starting May 5th, 2010. This cooperative agreement will benefit residents of the neighboring communities by allowing discounted rates on daily pool admissions, Rec-Plex memberships and more!

Here's how it works:

St. Charles City Residents

The City of St. Peters will now honor your St. Charles Parks Passport Card and grant you the following discounts:

- Resident rates on daily admission to the Rec-Plex.
- Resident rates on the Annual Pass and Gold Plus memberships at the Rec-Plex.

You must be able to show your Passport Card and a photo ID at the time of purchase. To obtain your Parks Passport Card, come to the St. Charles Parks and Recreation office inside Blanchette Park.



St. Peters City Residents

The St. Charles Parks and Recreation
Department will now honor your St. Peters
Resident Privilege Card and grant you the
following discounts:

- \$1 off daily admission to the Wapelhorst, Blanchette or McNair Park Aquatic Facilities.
- Resident rates on the season long pool pass.
- Opportunity to purchase the resident-only 10-Visit Swim Pass.

You must be able to show cards for every member of your family at the time of purchase. To obtain your St. Peters Resident Privilege Card, contact St. Peters City Hall or the Rec-Plex



For more information, visit our websites:
www.stpetersmo.net

Promotion ends April 30, 2012. Discounts eligible only on new registrations. Existing memberships will not be refunded or prorated. Discounts only available on listed memberships/admissions and do not apply to facility reservations.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Jim Dreyer Receives SCC Distinguished Alumni Award

The St. Charles Community College Foundation named **James (Jim) Dreyer**, of St. Charles, Associate Video Producer for the city of St. Charles' local government cable access Channel 990, the college's 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award. The award was presented at the 22nd annual SCC commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 15, in the College Center on campus.

In his current position with the city, Jim produces promotional, educational and entertainment shows for the city, and received a 2009 Silver Telly Award for his "Beyond the Set: Shadowland" project. Jim also recently produced his first feature-length documentary, "Tracy and Jess: Living With Early Onset Alzheimer's," which portrays an uplifting look at the disease. Together with the Alzheimer's Association, he has been showcasing the film to raise awareness and encourage research for a cure. A

public screening of the documentary was held at SCC on March 26. The topic hits close to home for Jim, as his mother, Jess Dreyer, was diagnosed in her 40s. "I enjoy using my skills to raise awareness of important causes," he said. "I love what I do, and I have a strong passion for video production."

Jim attended SCC from 1997-98. He transferred to the University of Missouri-St. Louis where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in mass communication with emphasis in video production in 2003. Upon graduation, he returned to SCC as a full-time employee in the Instructional Media Department from 2004-07, where he assisted faculty and staff with audio/visual projects.

Jim currently volunteers his video talents with the Toys for Tots program sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps and the UMSL Life Review Project of the University of Missouri-St. Louis Gerontology Graduate Program. He



Michael Lissner (left), President of the St. Charles Community College Foundation, presents Jim Dreyer, Associate Producer with the St. Charles Media Department, with the 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award.

also serves as advisor for the Youth Media Group, a joint venture between the city of St. Charles and the Foundry Art Centre, where high school students work on video projects relating to the events and history of St. Charles.

St. Charles Media Department Garners Cable Awards



Kudos to staff members in the St. Charles Media Department for their expertise in garnering two Bronze Telly Awards (that brings the total Telly tally to nine!). Employees recognized for their videography expertise, are:

Editor's Note:

To view St. Charles city cable access programming, go to **Channel 990** or access video streaming live or recorded via the home page at www.stcharlescitymo.gov.

- Jim Dreyer, Associate Producer for his production of Artworks
- Jessica Rasch, Associate
 Producer -- for her production of
 Check Out St. Charles: Craftsmen
 Industries

Each winning entry receives a certificate of recognition along with the coveted Telly statuette. The Telly Awards honor the very best local, regional, and cable television commercials and programs, as well as the finest video and film productions, and work created for the Web. Stay tuned, as Jessica and Jim have also entered their original works in the NATOA Awards (National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors), recognizing government video, television and web media. Way to go!

City Human Resource Employees Serve on Local SHRM Society Board

Rick Brown, Senior Human Resources Generalist for the city will assume his duties as President of the Lewis and Clark Chapter of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) in September. This newly established local chapter in St. Charles County recently received its charter from the national office. To date, the group already has more than 100 members.

In addition, **Christina Schuette**, Human Resources Generalist for St. Charles, has been named Treasurer of the chapter. The goal of the organization is to provide local human resource management professionals with the most essential and comprehensive set of resources available. Congrats!

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Employer of the Year Awards

Four St. Charles Area Businesses Receive Employer of the Year Awards

Mayor Patti York bestowed Employer of the Year honors on four St. Charles area businesses during the May 19 St. Charles Chamber of Commerce general membership meeting at The Columns Banquet & Conference Center.

"We are pleased to recognize local businesses who continue to grow and thrive in our city," said Mayor York. "These companies make a huge investment in our community and as employers provide support and benefits to their employees. In addition," York added, "their generous commitment in giving back to the community through various charitable and civic organizations is commendable, for it represents the spirit behind this well-deserved recognition."

St. Charles annually presents the Employer of the Year award in the categories of service, manufacturing/industrial, retail and energy efficiency. The 2010 honorees are:

Service

Sams Carpet Cleaning & Repair

1602 North Fourth Street (63301) 636-949-8229

Sams Carpet Cleaning & Repairs has been providing exceptional service in carpet, furniture, and oriental rug cleaning since 1985. They also offer tile and grout cleaning, air duct cleaning and 24-hour water damage restoration

services. The company has been voted the #1 carpet cleaner in St. Charles County by Suburban Journal readers every year for 14 years straight. "We are honored for the recognition, by the community we service, and remain committed



Back Row (I. to r.) - Dale Posloski (chairman of the board, St. Charles Chamber of Commerce), Patti York (Mayor of St. Charles), Chris Black (husband of Wendy Black), Jeff Sams (president, Sams Carpet Cleaning & Repair), Scott Tate (president & CEO, St. Charles Chamber of Commerce), Jim Unger (retired president & CEO -- now serving as vice-chair, ARI), James Cowan (president & CEO, American Railcar Industries, Inc.), Michael Reilly (president, WorkSafe Midwest, Inc.), Steve Weseman (business manager, St. Peter Catholic Church and School), and Fr. Stephen Bauer (pastor, St. Peter Catholic Church and School).

Front Row (l. to r.) - Wendy Black (owner, Main Street Gym), Sue Sams (director of business communications, Sams Carpet Cleaning & Repair), Nadine Boon (director of economic development, city of St. Charles), and Molly Reilly (wife of Michael Reilly).

to continuing our mission to provide quality service to the region," said Jeff Sams, president. With their success has come growth in the form of a new location, which features 18,000 square feet of space as well as sales growth of 15 to 20 percent during 2009-2010. Additional employees have been added to accommodate this growth, particularly in the area of oriental rug cleaning, which has developed into a new division: FrenchTown Rug Cleaning. Sams was able to take the risk to launch this new division, investing in space, equipment, supplies, training, and new staff located at 1602 North Fourth Street. The company currently employees 32 people.

"We are honored for the recognition, by the community we service, and remain committed to continuing our mission of providing quality service to the region."

Jeff Sams, President

Manufacturing/ Industrial

American Railcar Industries. Inc.

100 Clark Street (63301) 636-940-6000

In February of 1864, the Milton Car Works was formed in Milton, Pennsylvania by Murray, Dougal & Company. A year later, the Milton Car Works began delivering some of the world's first tank cars. Designed by Amos Densmore, this unique conveyance consisted of two wood stave barrels mounted on a flat car. Densmore tank car ushered in a new era for the railroads and a new industry that 129 years later would become American Railcar Industries. Inc. American Railcar was formed in 1994 from the acquisition of railcar component manufacturing and railcar maintenance assets from ACF Industries. Today ARI, a publicly held corporation, is a fully integrated supplier to the North American freight car market. According to company President James Cowan,

Employer of the Year Awards continued...

"ARI designs and manufactures new railcars, railcar parts and operates a network of railcar centers."

James Cowan President

ARI designs and manufactures new rail-cars, railcar parts and operates a network of railcar centers. "We supply rail fleet management and Engineering services to shippers, equipment leasing companies and railroads," he said. "Our industrial products group provides the industry with a variety of services, including steel and aluminum castings, heavy steel fabrication, roll forming, production machining, specialty welding and forging." Located at 100 Clark Street, ARI currently employs 1,370 people.

Retail

WorkSafe Midwest, Inc.

211 Hughes Lane (63301) 636-724-2075

At WorkSafe Midwest, Inc., the main emphasis is on seismic protection of data equipment and electronics throughout the world. According to company President Michael Reilly, WorkSafe Midwest is well into its eighth year of operation, striving to constantly increase its level of expertise by developing products to protect clients' businesses. "Our ultimate goal is to keep 'mission critical' equipment running as smoothly as possible," he said, "and

help ensure a rapid and easy operational recovery in the event of a seismic disturbance. Our success is made possible by contributions from our team of hardworking professionals, which consists of a diverse range of personnel from sales and marketing experts, product engineers and designers, and service and manufacturing specialists." Located at 211 Hughes Lane, WorkSafe Midwest currently employs seven staff members. Over the course of the past four years, the company has moved from a former basement office to a 3,000 square foot location, with annual sales of more than \$1 million.

"Our ultimate goal is to keep 'mission critical' equipment running as smoothly as possible, and help ensure a rapid and easy operational recovery in the event of a seismic disturbance."

Michael Reilly, President

Energy Efficiency

St. Peter Catholic Church and School

324 South Third Street (63301) 636-946-6641

St. Peter Catholic Church and School -- located in the historic downtown district of St. Charles -- is rich in beauty not to mention a 160-year tradition. St. Peter is a short walking distance from Missouri's First State Capitol, and directly across the street from SSM St. Joseph Health Center. According to Fr. Stephen Bauer, Pastor, the church welcomes all visitors that attend their various religious and civic festivals. "It is our hope that St. Peter Church will assist not only our own parishioners, but the community at large, in knowing what our ministry has to offer." Located at 324 South Third Street, St. Peter Catholic Church and School -- along with its some 70 staff members -- are were honored for their collective efforts to promote energy efficiency. Like many businesses, they recycle paper, plastic and glass, along "It is our hope that St. Peter Church will assist not only its own parishioners, but the community at large, in knowing what our ministry has to offer."

Fr. Stephen Bauer, Pastor

with failed electronics and on-premise equipment such as air-conditioning units. On the high end of energy efficiency, the parish recently purchased a new 95.5 percent efficient boiler and two 95 percent efficient gas furnaces. They've also converted all of the facility's incandescent church lighting to fluorescent, cutting input wattage by 75 percent. In addition, they've converted all school fluorescent lighting from T-12 to T-8 with electronic ballasts, and are now in the process of converting the parish center building to T-8, as well. Over the course of the past year, in addition to the new boiler, furnaces and air conditioning units, St. Peter has made significant HVAC (heating, ventilation and air-conditioning) improvements, including new energy-efficient controls on the boiler in the parish center. This has already improved or reduced the parish gas bill. Plus, with the help of a Facade Grant from the City of St. Charles, the church replaced \$106,000 worth of school windows, and has reduced its gas consumption and increased energy efficiency by nearly 30 to 45 percent across the board so far in 2010.

2010 Calendar Greater St. Charles, Missouri (Mid-June - December)



JUNE

| Thursday Evenings | ST. CHARLES MUNICIPAL BAND Frontier Park 8pm www.stc-muny-band.com Celebrating 140th Season |
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| 24 | ST. JEAN BAPTISTE DAY First MO State Capitol Refreshments, music & more. <u>www.historicfrenchtown.com</u> |
| 24-26 | NEW MELLE FESTIVAL Carnival, parade, tractor pull, music and more |
| 25 | FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS 4 th & Clark at Academy of Sacred Heart Movie at Dark - bring chairs <u>www.historicfrenchtown.com</u> |
| 25 | FOURTH FRIDAYS @ THE FOUNDRY CONCERT with Jazz Artist Carolbeth True. Tickets: www.foundryartcentre.org |
| 25 27 | CHAVECDEADE IN THE DADY Frontier Dork |

- **SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK** Frontier Park 25-27 "Midsummer Night's Dream" 6:30pm June 27 2pm www.riversidetheatreco.org
- GOSPEL DOWN BY THE RIVER CONCERT Frontier Park 4-7pm 26 Sponsored by Disciples Empowered by Christ Ministries
- 26 **HOT SUMMER NIGHTS** N. Main Music & Dining Outdoors 6-10pm featuring Performing Arts Center students
- **GREAT AMERICAN BACKYARD CAMPOUT** First MO State Capitol 26 \$25 family Camp, stories, s'mores Register 636-940-3322

| JULY | |
|----------------------|---|
| Thursday Evenings | ST. CHARLES MUNICIPAL BAND Frontier Park 8pm www.stc-muny-band.com Celebrating 140th Season |
| During the Month | SUMMER FUN IN THE PAST EXHIBIT Frenchtown Museum Wed-Sat 12-3pm <u>www.frenchtownmuseum.net</u> |
| 2 | ST. LOUIS WIND SYMPHONY CONCERT Foundry Art Centre at 7pm www.foundryartcentre.org |
| 3-4 | RIVERFEST Frontier Park Fireworks 2 nights at 9:20pm & parade on July 3 rd at 10am, music, carnival, food & vendors www.historicstcharles.com |
| 9 & 23 | FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS 4 th & Clark at Academy of Sacred Heart |

- Movie at Dark bring chairs <u>www.historicfrenchtown.com</u> 11 ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY BIG (JAZZ) BAND
- Frontier Park 7:30pm www.stc-muny-band.com
- LIONS CLUB CAR & TRUCK SHOW / RANGER DIV. 11 MOTORCYCLE SHOW McNair Park 636-949-3372
- 11 BIG SHARK TRIATHLON New Town http://bigshark.com
- 17 BUM'S HOLLOW CONCERT Blanchette Park Musicy by: Rail 636-949-3372
- 17 LEWIS & CLARK FIFE & DRUM ON MAIN STREET 1:00pm Marching & Performing on South Main
- 18 TOUR OF THE LITTLE HILLS BICYCLE RIDE Starts Foundry <u>www.trailnet.org</u>
- 21 MUSIC ON MAIN 100-200 blk. North Main Music by Hillbilly Authority from 5-7:30pm
- MO RIVER 340 Kayak Race ending at Bishop's Landing 27-30 29th & 30th www.rivermiles.com
- ST. CHARLES COUNTY FAIR Wentzville 27-31 www.stcharlescofair.org
- HOT SUMMER NIGHTS North Main Street 31 Live Music & Dining Outdoors from 6-10pm featuring BBQ Bonanza with Hillbilly Authority

AUGUST

| 1 | FLEET FEET FLAT FIVE Frontier Park www.fleetfeetstl.com |
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| During the Month | WOMAN'S WORK IS NEVER DONE EXHIBIT Frenchtown Museum Wed-Sat 12-3pm <u>www.frenchtownmuseum.net</u> |
| Thursday Evenings | |
| 4 | PATT HOLT SINGERS & DANCERS 38 TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Frontier Park |
| 7 | GOSPEL DOWN BY THE RIVER CONCERT Frontier Park 4-7pm Sponsored by Disciples Empowered by Christ Ministries |
| 8 | ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY BIG (JAZZ) BAND Frontier Park 7:30pm www.stc-muny-band.com |
| 10 | STATEHOOD DAY CELEBRATION & CONCERT First MO State Capitol 10-4pm Open House & 7pm Concert 636-940-3322 |
| 13 | FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS 4 th & Clark at Academy of Sacred Heart Movie at Dark - bring chairs www.historicfrenchtown.com |
| 14 | LEWIS & CLARK FIFE & DRUM ON MAIN STREET 1:00pm Marching & Performing on South Main |
| 18 | MUSIC ON MAIN 100-200 blk. North Main Music by Bumblebee Bob Kamoske 5-7:30pm Concessions available |
| 20-22 | FESTIVAL OF THE LITTLE HILLS Frontier Park & Main Street Friday 4-10, Saturday 9:30-10, Sunday 9:30-5 Crafts www.festivalofthelittlehills.com |
| 25-28 | ST. CHARLES FASHION WEEK Ameristar Casino Resort Spa Fashion Extravaganza <u>www.streetscapemag.com</u> |
| 27 | FRIDAYS @ FRONTIER Frontier Park Live Music at 7pm with That 80s Band, happy hour 5-7pm www.stcharlesjaycees.com |
| 27-29 | WABASH DAYS FESTIVAL Wentzville Music, carnival, games, crafts, food & more |
| 28 | HOT SUMMER NIGHTS North Main Street Live Music & Dining Outdoors from 6-10pm - Journey thru Rock-n-Roll |

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| SEPTEMBER | | |
| During the Month | MANUFACTURING & BUSINESSES OF THE PAST Frenchtown Heritage Museum www.frenchtownmuseum.net | |
| 1 | ST. CHARLES NIGHT OUT 636-949-3300 | |
| 3 | GOSPEL DOWN BY THE RIVER CONCERT Frontier Park 4-7pm Sponsored by Disciples Empowered by Christ Ministries | |
| 4 | RACE FOR THE RIVERS & CLEAN WATER CHALLENGE Frontier Park www.greenwaynetwork.org | |
| 5 | ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY BIG (JAZZ) BAND Frontier Park 7:30pm www.stc-muny-band.com | |
| 10-12 | MISSOURI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE | |
| 11 | WALT FILI PANCREATIC CANCER RESEARCH WALK Frontier Park www.lustgarten.org | |
| 11 | MO RIVER RELIEF & CLEAN UP Along the Missouri River www.riverrelief.org | |
| 12 | TRAILS FOR TAILS Frontier Park www.stcharleshumanesociety.org | |
| 12 | MO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE WALK http://www.umsl.edu/~iwpl | |
| 15 | MUSIC ON MAIN 100-200 blk. North Main | |

Music by The Arbogast Band from 5-7:30pm

- 17-19 MOSAICS FESTIVAL FOR THE ARTS North Main Artists sell & display art, food, music www.stcharlesmosaics.org
 17-19 MISSOURI RIVER IRISH FEST Frontier Park Irish music & traditional crafts www.moriveririshfest.com
 17-18 AUGUSTA'S HARVEST FESTIVAL SWINGIN' IN THE VINES Wine, music, food & more www.augusta-chamber.org
- 17-19 PARK RANGERS SOCCER TOURNAMENT 636-949-3372
- 17-19 FARK HANGERS SUGGER TOURNAMENT 050-949-55
- 17-19 FLOOD STAGE PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS... RENT
- 23-25 311 N. Main (old Opera House) 636-946-2114
- 18 LEWIS & CLARK FIFE & DRUM ON MAIN STREET 1:00pm Marching & Performing on South Main
- 19 CRESCENDO CONCERT SERIES "Cumberland Woodwind Quintet" www.crescendoconcerts.org 3pm, \$15
- **24-26 OKTOBERFEST** Frontier Park Celebration of German Heritage food, beer, music, parade www.saintcharlesoktoberfest.com
- 25 THE BLAST AT NEW TOWN Sponsored by St. Charles Chamber of Commerce, 5K Run, music, food, booths 636-946-0633

OCTOBER

- 1-10 ST. CHARLES PLEIN AIR COMPETITION Come watch artist paint outdoors in the Historic District www.stcharlespleinair.com
 - 1 OKTOBERFEST DINNER DANCE Stegton Regency \$40 person German Dinner, Beer & Music Tickets: 636-916-5534
 - 2 BUM'S HOLLOW CONCERT Blanchette Park Music by: Black Dog & the Rainmakers 636-949-3372
 - 2 2ND ANNUAL RED HAT LADIES DAY ON MAIN STREET Shopping, Dining & Balloon Release
 - 3 LEWIS & CLARK MARATHON Frontier Park www.fleetfeetstl.com
- 8-10 BOY SCOUT 100TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT Frontier Park
- 9 LEWIS & CLARK FIFE & DRUM ON MAIN STREET 1:00pm Marching & Performing on South Main
- 10 RIDE THE RIVERS CENTURY BICYCLE RACE Starts at Ameristar - 100 miles <u>www.trailnet.org</u>
- 16 LIFE IS GOOD FESTIVAL Frontier Park Music, games, great food & fun and it's free! www.lifeisgood.com
- 16 IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL 10K RUN
- **16-17 DEUTSCH COUNTRY DAYS** Marthasville Folkways of early Germans For ticket info: www.deutschcountrydays.org
- 22-23 STORYTELLING & GHOST STORIES Location TBD Come enjoy "spooky" stories & storytelling
- 23 WALK FROM OBESITY Frontier Park 8am www.walkfromobesity.com

- 29 TRICK OR TREAT ON MAIN For children under 12 years in costumes from 3-5pm (Free)
- 29 RIVERSIDE SHAKESPEARE THEATRE PRESENTS ... HALLOWEEN SHOW Frontier Park (Free)
- 30 ST. CHARLES COUNTY SYMPHONY 7pm Halloween Concert St. Peters City Hall www.sccsymphony.org

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

- Nov. 11 VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE Veterans Memorial at Bishops Landing at 11am
- Nov. 14 A TRIBUTE TO VETERANS DINNER SHOW PATT HOLT SINGERS http://quinn-productions.com/pattholtsingers.htm
- Nov. 26- CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS Historic Main Carolers, Santas &
- **Dec. 24** Characters For times/days: <u>www.stcharleschristmas.com</u>
- Nov. 26- (Weekends) SANTA'S TRAIN LAND TRAINS ON MAIN
- Dec. 19 100-200 blks. North Main Interactive 0-27 model train display
- Nov. 26- MODEL TRAIN DISPLAY Frenchtown Heritage Museum
- Dec. 31 <u>www.frenchtownmuseum.net</u>
- Nov.-Dec. WINTER WINDOWSCAPES

DECEMBER

- 3 & 10 AUGUSTA'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT WALK Follow luminaries for open houses/shops 5-10pm www.augusta-chamber.org
- **3-4 & CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT TOUR** Daniel Boone Home Defiance **10-11** Thousands of lights illuminate village 636-798-2005

at the "inn" Begins at 6pm (starts Boone's Lick & Main)

- 4 LAS POSADAS South Main Mary & Joseph seeking shelter
- 5 ST. CHARLES COUNTY SYMPHONY 6pm Christmas Gala www.sccsymphony.org
- 12 CRESCENDO CONCERT SERIES "Bach Society" www.crescendoconcerts.org 3pm, \$15

Mark Your Calendar!

January 29, 2011 Fete de Glacé Ice Carving Competition



Convention & Visitors Bureau

www.historicstcharles.com

636-946-7776 • 1-800-366-2427



PARKS & RECREATION

Announcements, Information & Program Schedules

2010 SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP

BLANCHETTE & WAPELHORST PARKS

For Children Ages 6 - 14 Years Old

Monday - Friday, NOW - August 6

Information packet available by mail, at the office or on our website at www.stcharlesparks.com

SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP

9:00 A - 3:00 P \$79 per week resident \$89 per week non-resident

SUNRISE (6:30-9:00 A) **SUNSET** (3:00-6:00 P)

\$32 per week for both \$22 per week for sunrise or sunset

T-BALL (OUTDOOR)

T-Ball Outdoor Introductory Plus

allows your child to extend his or her T-Ball experience with four weeks of continuing skill development. Your child



must be enrolled in the current intro T-Ball program in order to enroll and participate in the Intro Plus program. T-shirt provided. Bring a glove & water bottle. 4-week program.

INTRO PLUS (Ages 4 - 5)

Location: Field #1 At Wapelhorst Park 211255-01 Mon 7/12-8/2 5:30P-6:15P

Location: Field #1 At Jaycee Park

211255-02 Wed 6/30-7/21 5:45P-6:30P 211255-03 Wed 6/30-7/21 6:45P-7:30P

Fee: \$34 per person

INTRO PLUS (Ages 6 - 8)

Location: Field #1 At Wapelhorst Park 221255-01 Mon 7/12-8/2 6:30P-7:15P

Fee: \$34 per person

LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

In our Learn to Swim Program, we have a staff ratio of 1 instructor for every 6 children in the Youth and Pre-School classes to maximize your child's learning. Blanchette, McNair and Wapelhorst will offer four (4) sessions for Swim Lessons this summer. Classes will be offered Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Swim Program/Lesson Information Applicable to All Three Facilities:

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

Sessions: I. (In progress)

June 21 - July 1

III. July 5 - July 15

IV. July 19 - July 29

Fee: \$43 Residents \$53 Non-Residents

> For more details. 636-949-3372 or www.stcharlesparks.com



AQUATIC SEASON PASSES ON SALE!!

FAMILY PASS RATES:

RESIDENT NON-RESIDENT **Family** \$190 \$230 Adult \$ 90 \$110 Child/Senior \$ 75 \$ 90

Family rate includes immediate family (two adults 19 and older and children living at home 18 and vounger). A senior citizen is 60 years of age or older.

AQUA CAMP

Calling all pool rats! How about trying water basketball, volleyball, underwater hockey and more in this Aqua Camp? This is for youth 10-14 years of age. All equipment provided. Two week session.

Location: Blanchette Aquatic Center 251901 Mon-Thurs 6/21-7/1 6:30P-7:30P

Fee: \$38 per person



FAMILY NIGHTS AT THE POOL

Join us for family night on Sundays all summer long!!

Blanchette Aquatic Center \$2.50 4-6pm Wapelhorst Aquatic Center \$3.00 5-7pm McNair Aquatic Center \$2.50 4-6pm

MOTORCYCLE & CAR SHOW

MCNAIR PARK

Sunday, July 11 Noon - 4 p.m. Registration 8am-12 noon

Sponsored by St. Charles Parks Rangers & St. Charles Lions Club

CONCERT IN BUMS HOLLOW UNDER THE STARS

BLANCHETTE PARK

Saturday, July 17, 6:00 p.m. Featuring the sounds of Rail

Bring your blanket and lawn chairs

BEYOND EXPECTATIONS

Tourism Bureau Opens Door to Visiting Couple; Assists with Impromptu Wedding in Kister Park

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. William & Robin Francais

(article continued from cover)

When Robin Bruehl and William Francais left Chickasha, Oklahoma last month for vacation, they were quite certain they wanted to get married at some point during their 10-day road trip. "We just didn't know where," said Robin. "That's right," added William, "we left town knowing we wanted to tie the knot, but we just weren't quite sure where that would be along the path."

One thing was for certain. Robin and William knew they would know just the right place upon arrival. And, that's exactly what happened when they drove into St. Charles.

"We fell in love with St. Charles the moment we saw it," the soon-to-be newlyweds exclaimed almost simultaneously. "For us," added Robin, we wanted to marry in a place that we could see ourselves returning to at some point in the future. You know, for special occasions like a wedding anniversary."

One call to the Greater Saint Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau the morning of Friday, May 7, and the wedding bells started to chime. As luck would have it, employees in the tourism office directed the couple to the St. Charles County Recorder of Deeds, and they sailed right through the process of obtaining a marriage license.

They ran into a slight snag, however, upon realizing that getting married yet that day might be an issue given the County Courthouse was closed to commemorate Harry S. Truman's birthday (which actually fell a day later on Saturday, May 8).

Not to worry. The tourism bureau kicked into high gear and contacted Mayor York's office. One quick call to Municipal Judge Dan Barklage and the stage was set for a late afternoon wedding. The tourism staff busied themselves making provisions for the ceremony in Kister Park, and created a special "welcome" basket to wish the couple well on the next leg of their journey.



The wedding party pauses briefly following the ceremony for a group photo in Kister Park. From left to right: Municipal Judge Dan Barklage, Robin Francais, William Francais, JoAnn Mueller, Volunteer at the CVB office, and Clancy Mueller. The young couple from Oklahoma was married on Friday, May 7 at the gazebo located in the 400 block of South Main Street.

"We never imagined so many people would go out of their way to make us feel welcome..."

Robin & William Français

Even CVB Volunteer JoAnn Mueller and her husband Clancy got in on the act. JoAnn was already working that day and Clancy was picking her up that evening for a theatrical event at Lindenwood. "I ran home just long enough to change clothes and pull together a bouquet of flowers from my garden," JoAnn said.

It could not have been a more pictureperfect event. For William and Robin were married before dinner and planned to have their wedding feast at Quintessential, 149 North Main Street. And how appropo that the Mueller's were available to stand up for them during the ceremony, for JoAnn and Clancy celebrate their 53rd wedding anniversary in July.

As for Robin and William? They're back in Chickasha, but already planning their next visit to St. Charles. "We've heard so much about Christmas Traditions," said William. "Exactly!," Robin interjected. "We thought it might be fun to head back to town on Black Friday and see the opening day festivities."

Wow...a match made in heaven...for us and them! Now that's what we call taking care of folks St. Charles style. If you have a story you'd like the city to consider for inclusion in a future

segment of Beyond Expectations, please send your ideas to Carol Felzien, PR/Communications Manager at cfelzien@historicstcharles.com or call directly at 636-255-6128.

Editor's Note: Thought you might like to see a follow up note from Robin and William. "We did want to say thank you as it was always our intention to get married on this trip. Our biggest worry was that it would be in a last ditch town where there wasn't any magic. But the magic was definitely in St. Charles. Our wildest dream was to get married in a "cute" courthouse in a nice city. We never imagined so many people would go out of their way to make us feel welcome, and we never imagined the wedding would be so beautiful." We couldn't have said it better ourselves...way to go St. Charles and, again, congratulations to William and Robin...please come back and visit again soon!

City Council Members

Keep Contact Information Handy for Your Easy Reference

Here's a list of the St. Charles City Council members, including their telephone and email contacts. For further information related to each of the ten wards of the city, including Council liaison and committee assignments, go to www.stcharlescitymo.gov and click the **City Council** link on the home page.

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City Announces High School Senior Scholarship Recipients

The scholarships were awarded based on a written essay of 500 – 1,000 words addressing the question: "How Can I Help St. Charles Go Green?"



Five high school seniors from the City of St. Charles were awarded \$1,000 scholarships during the April 20 City Council meeting. Students were recognized for their winning essay submissions addressing the question: "How Can I Help St. Charles Go Green?" (access www.stcharlescitymo.gov for copies of the students' essays).

The Saint Charles City Council presented five \$1,000 Scholarships for High School Seniors residing in the city of Saint Charles. The scholarships were awarded during the April 20 City Council meeting to one student from each of the four High Schools located in the St. Charles. There was also one atlarge scholarship awarded to a student

residing in the city and attending a private or parochial high school.

The scholarships were awarded based on a written essay of 500 – 1,000 words addressing the question: "How Can I Help St. Charles Go Green?" (to read student essays, please access the city on-line at www.stcharlescitymo.gov -- go to 2010 Scholarship Recipients located under Popular Links).

Scholarship awards were presented to the following students:

- Kathleen Riddler
 - St. Charles High School
- Megan Illy
 - St. Charles West High School
- Caitlin A. Bighem
 - Orchard Farm High School
- Brenton R. Harms
 - Francis Howell North High School
- Amy Bogucki
 - Lutheran High School

The city's eligibility requirements for this scholarship program were as follows:

- High School Senior in the 2010 Graduating Class
- Resident of the City of Saint Charles, Missouri
- Submission of an Essay consisting of 500-1,000 words addressing the question: "How Can I Help St. Charles Go Green?"

For questions or further information:

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In this edition of *City News*, we have a wide range of exciting announcements --everything from our new green ordinance to helping others and revealing firsthand the "magic" that is St. Charles.

Ultimately, the message boils down to the importance we place on communications in our city. And we strive to keep everyone current using a number of different vehicles and mechanisms.

For example, did you know the city has an on-line presence via three distinct websites? For your easy reference, they are:

City of St. Charles www.stcharlescitymo.gov

Greater Saint Charles Convention

www.historicstcharles.com

& Visitors Bureau

St. Charles Parks & Recreation www.stcharlesparks.com

If you count the Saint Charles Convention Center in the mix -- www.stcharlesconventioncenter.com -- we have four on-line options for communicating what's happening around town!

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

STAYING CURRENT

The Crucial Role Communications Plays in City Government

In addition, we take pride in communicating via numerous other avenues, including:

Cable Access Channel 990 -- providing a wide range of programming, including city meetings (available via video streaming at **www.stcharlescitymo.gov**).

Quarterly Newsletter -- City News is a long-standing communications vehicle distributed to some 24,000 residential households four times per year.

Visitor Guides -- our tourism bureau provides a number of brochures and collateral pieces outlining all there is to do and see in St. Charles County; hard copies are available at **230 South Main Street**, or access the bureau on-line at **www.historicstcharles.com**.

In addition, we are diligent in working with our local media outlets -- print and electronic -- to ensure city news announcements are communicated on a timely basis. Plus, we often opt for paid advertising opportunities in the way of newspaper, magazine, television and billboard ads when it's appropriate to highlight special events and activities taking place in St. Charles.

We even host public meetings and forums, and offer eNewsletters from specific departments, like Economic Development, for example; plus we highlight specific services via our Accessibility Guide, provided

thanks to grant resources available through Community Development. The list goes on and on. The key is to ensure we have all the bases covered so everyone in St. Charles is a part of the communications loop.

Hopefully we'll close any potential gaps later this fall when we orchestrate a citywide communications survey. You will have an opportunity to respond to the survey via this newsletter, along with on-line components, focus group sessions and related telephone surveys to make your response opportunities more accessible.

The bottom-line? We want to hear from you. We also want to know if we're communicating with you, in the ways in which you prefer to receive information. Your City Council representatives have provided contact information on Page 11 of this issue. They also have web access at www.stcharlescitymo.gov. Same with our various city departments. So don't hesitate to pick up the phone or drop us an email, for it's through two-way communication that we continue to Discover exactly what makes St. Charles tick!

Best wishes for a safe summer -- hope to see you around town!

Patricia M. York Mayor

DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

3-4 • Riverfest in Frontier Park

11 • Lions Club Car & Truck Show

27-30 • MO River 340 Kayak Race

AUGUST

20-22 • Festival of the Little Hills

25-28 • St. Charles Fashion Week

SEPTEMBER

17-19 • Mosaics - Festival for the Arts

17-19 • Missouri River Irish Fest

24-26 • Oktoberfest in Frontier Park

For complete, up-to-date event details, including, dates, times and locations, please refer to the tourism website at www.historicstcharles.com or the city's site at www.stcharlescitymo.gov

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